WEST LAFAYETTE POLICE MERIT COMMISSION MINUTES January 13, 2014

The West Lafayette Police Merit Commission met in regular session in the West Lafayette Courtroom on January 13, 2014 at 7:00 pm.

Commission President Corrigan called the meeting to order and presided.

PRESENT: Commissioners Corrigan, Troyer, and Shafer.

ALSO PRESENT: Commission Attorney Brooks and Deputy Chief Leroux

ABSENT: Commissioner No and Commissioner Kirkpatrick

OLD BUSINESS:

There was discussion of Commissioner Kirkpatrick's absence at meetings and how that affects her position as a Merit Commissioner. It was decided that due to her absence from several meetings, that she will not be able to vote on any matters in regard to the Merit Commission. Commissioner No will be on sabbatical and miss the February and March meetings.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commission President Corrigan called for election of officers for the Merit Commission. Commissioner Troyer nominated Commissioner Shafer for president with Commissioner Corrigan seconding. There was a unanimous voice vote. Commissioner Troyer nominated Commissioner Corrigan for Vice President with Commissioner Shafer seconding. There was a unanimous voice vote. Commissioner Troyer nominated Commissioner No for secretary with Commissioner Corrigan seconding and there was a unanimous voice vote.

Deputy Chief Leroux told the commission that the backgrounds of the potential police candidates were completed, but he needs time to review the questions brought to light from the backgrounds and polygraph. He will get the names of the candidates to the commission as soon as the reviews are complete. Deputy Chief Leroux explained the hiring process which is the interview/background/polygraph with the packets then going to the commission and then dates will be set for interview by commission. Chief Dombkowski said there were preliminary indications that there would be a two Commanders retiring in 2014 so there are potentially two openings in 2014.

Commission President Shafer would like the next meeting to be moved to February 12, 2014 at 9:00 am. Commissioner Troyer moved that the meeting be changed to February 12, 2014 at 9:00 am. It was passed by unanimous voice vote. Deputy Chief Leroux will arrange for a room for the meeting and the secretary will send an email out notifying the commissioners.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commission President Shafer requested that the minutes from the October meeting be approved. Commissioner Troyer moved that the minutes be approved and Commissioner Corrigan seconded that motion. It was passed by a unanimous voice vote. The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Dombkowski passed out the Chief's Report. WLPD detectives worked diligently and arrested two suspects in the Dominos's Pizza store robbery.

Officer Dunscomb retired his K-9 this year with the K-9 retiring to the home of Officer Dunscomb. It was the first canine retirement from WLPD.

There was a school lockdown/threats with WLPD responded appropriately and PUPD assisting. Commissioner Troyer spoke about the aftermath of the school incident with teachers/students having panic attacks.

There was discussion of the new annexation. WLPD will be working closely with jurisdiction and patrol with PUPD in regard to annexation. We/WLPD presented to the school board having a SRO for the grade school and high school with it passing in mid December and Officer Winslow will be acting as the School Resource Officer for the grade schools and high school pending approval from the . She is the DARE officer as well. Commissioner Troyer praised our officers for assisting citizens during the storms.

Commissioner Troyer moved that the meeting be adjourned and Commissioner Corrigan seconded that motion. It was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

The next meeting will be held on February 12, 2014 at 9:00 am in the West Lafayette Court Chambers.

Dr. Song No, Secretary

Attest:

Tom Shafer, President